near Siswan Super passage syphon in Roper District on the 11th November, 1991;

(b) if so, the extent of damage caused and the expenditure involved in plugging the breach; and

(c) what specific measures Government have taken to protect the Bhakra Dam?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Only a small portion of concrete in the Siswan Super passage got chipped off as a result of a bomb-blast which was immediately repaired.

(c) The Government of Punjab have reviewed and are strengthening the security arrangements for watch and ward along Nangal Hydel Channel and Bhakra Main Line. In addition to regular patrolling of the banks of the canal police pickets have been set up at all important structures. Static police guards have been provided at vulnerable points on the Bhakra Dam also,

World Bank assistance for Irrigation and Flood Control Scheme

905. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have discussed certain proposals with the State Governments involving World Bank assistance to irrigation and flood control schemes in the States;

(b) if so, the number of States which have submitted their proposals;

(c) whether Government of Bihar was also asked to submit proposals in this regard;

(d) if so, what are the details of proposals submitted by that Government;

(e) whether Government propose to give preference to Bihar in irrigation and flood control schemes; and

(f) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (f) Discussions with the State Governments for World Bank assistance to projects aimed at (i) consolidation of benefits through completion of viable on-going projects and improving irrigation sector management and (ii) improving, sector management and (iii) improving specific aspects of irrigation sector performance. Whereas, projects would be confined to individual States, a number of States would have access to project funds. Specific project proposals are awaited from the State Governments.

Agreement with the World Bank for the Dam Safety Assurance and Rehabilitation Project aimed at strengthening institutional capability at the central level and in four participating States (Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu) for monitoring hydrology and dam safety as well as funding rehabilitation works has been concluded in June, 1991.

Subernarekha Multipurpose Irrigation Project (Bihar) is in pipeline for World Bank assistance.

(The Deputy Chairman in the Chair)

श्री अबरार अहमद : महोदया... (व्यवधान)

उपसभापति : आप सबको मालूम है कि जब तक मेरा जो रेगुलर बिजनेस होता है वह पूरा न हो, आप कितने भी हाथ उठायें, खड़े रहें, मैं कुछ भी उसके बारे में आपको मौका नहीं दूंगी। इसलिए मेहरबानी करके बैठ जाइये। Let the message from the Lok Sabha be read.

MESSAGE FROM THE LOK SABHA

The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess (Amendment) Bill, 1991

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Madam, I beg to report that Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 28th November, 1991,